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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS NO LONGER SILENT

Answers Judge Parker's Charges and Brands Them as False.

Defends Chairman Cortelyou and Denounces the Contemptible Methods of Desperate Democracy.

PARKER HIMSELF OWNS STOCK IN TRUSTS

Washington, D. C., Nov. 5.—President Theodore Roosevelt, who has for several weeks maintained a dignified silence during the malvolent and unfounded attacks of Judge Parker and the democrats, has spoken, and his statement issued last night is the death blow to democratic hopes. Judge Parker has asserted that he would take the word of no one except the president himself, thinking, no doubt, that the president of the United States would not stoop to answer charges from such a source, and that he would get the advantage of his silence.

On account of the widespread publicity of the vicious allegations of Judge Parker and the democrats, however, the President has himself given Judge Parker his answer. Here it is:

"White House, Washington, Nov. 4, 1904.

"Certain slanderous accusations as to Mr. Cortelyou and myself have been repeated time and again by Judge Parker, candidate of his party for the office of president. He neither has produced nor can he produce any proof of their truth, yet he has not withdrawn them; and as his position gives them wide currency I speak now lest the silence of self-respect be misunderstood.

PARKER'S CHARGES.

"Parker's charges are in effect that the president of the United States and Cortelyou, formerly Cleveland's executive clerk, then McKinley's and my secretary, then secretary of commerce and labor, and now chairman of the republican national committee, have been in a conspiracy to blackmail corporations, Cortelyou using his knowledge gained while he was secretary of the department of commerce and labor to extort money from corporations, and I, the president, having appointed him for this special purpose. The gravamen of these charges lies in the assertion that the corporations have been blackmailed into contributing, and in the implication, which in one or two of Parker's speeches has taken form practically of an assertion, that they have been promised certain immunities or favors or have been assured that they would receive some kind of improper consideration in view of their contributions.

ONLY IN A LEGITIMATE WAY.

"That contributions have been made to the republican committee, as contributions have been made to the democratic committee is not the question at issue. Parker's assertion is in effect that such contributions have been made for improper motives, either in consequence of threats or in consequence of improper promises, direct or indirect, on the part of the recipients. Parker knows best whether this is true of the contributions of his campaign fund which come through his trusted friends and advisers who represent the great corporate interests that stand behind him.

CHARGES ARE FALSE.

"But there is not one particle of truth in the statement as regards anything that has gone on in the management of the republican campaign. Parker's accusation against Cortelyou and me are monstrous. If true they would brand both of us forever with infamy, and inasmuch as they are false, heavy must be the condemnation of the man making them.

CORTELYOU A GOOD MAN.

"I chose Cortelyou as chairman of the national committee after having failed successively to persuade Elihu Root, W. Murray Crane and Cornelius F. Bliss to accept the position. I chose him with extreme reluctance, because I could ill spare him from the cabinet. But I felt that he possessed the high integrity which I demanded in the man who was to manage my campaign. I am content that Mr. Parker and I should be judged by the public on the character of the two men whom we chose to manage our campaign; he by the character of his nominee, Thomas Taggart, and I by the character of Mr. Cortelyou.

DEMOCRACY'S USUAL FALSEHOODS.

"The assertion that Cortelyou had any knowledge gained while in any official position whereby he was enabled to secure and did secure any contributions from any corporation is a falsehood. The assertion that there has been made in behalf and by my authority by Cortelyou or by any one else any pledge or promise, or that there has been any understanding as to future immunities or benefits, in recognition of any contribution from any source is a wicked falsehood.

SHOWS PARKER'S HYPOCRACY.

"That Parker should desire to avoid a discussion of principles, I can well understand; for it is but bare truth to say he has not attacked us on any matter of principle or upon any action of the government save after first misstating that principle or that action. But I cannot understand how any honorable man a candidate for the highest office in the gift of the people, can take refuge not merely in personalities, but in such base and unworthy personalities.

MR. CORTELYOU'S WORK.

"If I deemed it necessary to support my flat denial by any evidence I would ask all men of common sense to ponder well what has been done in this campaign by Cortelyou, and to compare it with what Parker himself did when he was managing Hill's campaign for governor; and to compare what has been done as regards the great corporations and monied interests under this administration with what was done under the last democratic administration while Mr. Olney was attorney general; I would ask all honest men whether they seriously deem it possible that the course this administration has taken in every matter from Northern Securities suit to a settlement of the anthracite coal strike is compatible with any theory of public behavior save the theory of doing exact justice to all men without fear and without favoritism; I would ask all honest and fair minded men to remember that the agents through whom I have worked are Knox and Moody in the department of justice, Cortelyou in the department of commerce and labor and Garfield in the bureau of corporations, and that no such act of infamy as Parker charges could have been done without all of these men being parties to it.

A FINAL WORD OF PARKER.

"The statements made by Parker are unqualifiably and atrociously false. As Cortelyou has said to me more than once during this campaign, if elected I shall go into the presidency unhampered by any pledge, promise, or understanding of any kind, sort or description, save my promise, made openly to the American people, that so far as in my power lies I shall see to it that every man has a square deal, no less and no more.

"(Signed.)

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

JUDGE PARKER IS STIRRED.

New York, Nov. 5.—Judge Parker spent most of the day in the hotel at Seville preparing the answer he will make in Brooklyn tonight to President Roosevelt's denials of his charges of republican campaign graft. The statement issued by President Roosevelt and the speech of Gov. Odell in which the govern-

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DEMOCRACY'S BARGAIN DAY.

BLOODY RIOTING IN AUSTRIAN TOWN

Students Objected to a Separate Italian Faculty.

An Artist Killed and Several Were Wounded in Bayonet Charge.

RIOTING WAS RENEWED TODAY

Innsbruck, Austria, Nov. 5.—Rioting of students caused by Austria's opening a separate Italian faculty of law at the university, was stopped by military last night and it is reported that one was killed and several persons were wounded during the rioting.

The rioters wrecked the Italian club and Italian inns smashed windows in the hofburg and made a hostile demonstration at the Italian consulate.

Order was restored at 5 o'clock this morning. The troops only charged with bayonets after the students had assailed them with volleys of stones.

Altogether, besides Artist Prezzey, who was killed, there were eight Germans and ten Italians wounded.

Herr Orier, the representative of Innsbruck in the Reichsrath, has telegraphed to the Premier demanding the removal of the Italian faculty and holding the Government responsible for consequences in the event of its refusal to do so. There have been many arrests.

The rioting continued intermittently throughout the day. The students, reinforced by a town mob, wrecked the Italian Club and Italian inns, smashed windows in the hofburg and made a hostile demonstration at the Italian Consulate.

The Municipal Council held a stormy meeting and adopted resolutions demanding that the Italian faculty of the university be closed and for a public funeral for Prezzey, the artist who was killed by a bayonet thrust when the soldiers charged the German students.

The rioting was renewed this afternoon, and all the available Tyrol policemen were drafted for service in town and are now patrolling the streets with pistols.

The men wrecked the house of the German architect who built the Italian faculty building.

The population is demanding a repeal decree establishing the Italian faculty in the university.

Mr. Gus Covington, of Mayfield, is in the city.

SECRETARY HAY IS IMPROVING

Will Soon Resume His Duties at Washington.

\$250,000 Damages From a Fire at Tifton, Ga.—Whole Indiana Town Robbed.

JAPANESE MINISTER IS BETTER

New York, Nov. 5.—Kogoro Takahara, Japanese minister is reported much improved and his physician believes danger has passed.

SECRETARY HAY BETTER.

Washington, Nov. 5.—The condition of Secretary Hay who has been confined at the house with a cold, has improved greatly and he expects to resume work at the state department soon.

FOUGHT A DRAW.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 5.—Clarence Forbes, of Chicago and Harry Cobb, of Detroit, fought ten rounds to a draw here last night.

GEORGIA TOWN BURNED.

Macon, Ga., Nov. 5.—Fire at Tifton, Ga., destroyed property valued at \$250,000 yesterday.

ROBBED EVERY STORE IN TOWN.

McCoyburg, Ind., Nov. 5.—A band of robbers yesterday blew open the post office safe with nitroglycerine and robbed nearly every store in the village, securing stamps, money and goods valued at \$4,800 and escaped.

ELECTION RETURNS

The Sun has made arrangements to have its own operator in its office election night and complete returns from the election will be received and bulletined on a huge screen in front of the office. Everybody is invited to come down and every one will be made welcome.

Any of our friends in the country desiring the news can telephone us at any time and we will give them what information we have.

UMPIRE QUINLAN DEAD.

Huntsville, Ala., Nov. 5.—Friends in Huntsville were notified of the death of Ted Quinlan, baseball player, who was on route from this city west for health. He died suddenly at San Antonio, Tex. Quinlan was an umpire in the Tennessee-Alabama Baseball league last season and was quite popular here. He had relatives in St. Louis.

ILLINOIS COAL STRIKE HAS BEEN SETTLED

Hoisting Engineer's Organization Was Disrupted.

An Iowa Murderer Suicides—Union Leader Killed by Practical Joke.

TROUBLE CAUSES SUICIDE

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 5.—The strike of the coal hoisting engineers' union of Illinois ended last night when the union was absorbed by the United Mine Workers of America. At a joint conference of miners and operators yesterday the engineers offered to arbitrate but the operators refused. The brotherhood of coal hoisting engineers was then disrupted, and the men were given the privilege to resume work a once.

Miners sent out notices to return to work immediately. Should the miners and operators be unable to agree on a wage scale for engineers, the matter will be arbitrated.

MURDERER SUICIDES.

Burlington, Ia., Nov. 5.—The body of Jacob Graves, who shot and killed Thomas Layton, was found in his cabin on Frye Island by officers who were pursuing him. He had shot himself.

DIED FOR A JOKE.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 5.—James M. Maxwell, president of the local union of the United Mine Workers at Virden, was shot and killed by Thomas Hall, a bartender, as a result of a practical joke. Hall was returning home through North Park when Maxwell, for a joke, stepped from behind a tree and ordered Hall to throw up his hands. Hall, who had been held up twice recently, drew a revolver and shot Maxwell in the stomach.

COULDN'T STAND TROUBLE.

Palmyra, Wis., Nov. 5.—Beset by petty annoyances and threatened with law suits, Mrs. A. D. Love, a wealthy resident of this city committed suicide with strychnine.

KENTUCKY BOY

Union City, Tenn., Nov. 5.—A peculiar and sad misfortune befell Harvey Kline in this city, who awoke yesterday morning to find himself deaf and dumb, though he retired the night before in his usual good health. He left last evening for his home at Hickman, Ky., looking as well as he ever did.

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS DRIVEN INTO CAVES

Situation at Port Arthur Terrible—Japanese Continue to Creep Nearer.

Chefoo, Nov. 5.—A junk which left Dainy Thursday arrived today and brings further details of the awful state of affairs at Port Arthur. One of the passengers says that the guns suddenly stopped firing at 2 o'clock Thursday morning but resumed their deadly work at daybreak, when the Japanese rushed several trenches and took one fort. It is noted, he says, that the Russians are husbanding their ammunition and only fire during actual assaults. Practically the whole Russian garrison is living under ground in caves which are bomb proof, and when the Japanese secure any position they have to pull the defenders out of the holes one by one, with consequent loss to the Japanese.

TO COST RUSSIA HALF A MILLION.

London, Nov. 5.—The Central news repeats the report that the Russian government intimates it will pay five hundred thousand dollars indemnity for the life and property loss at Dogger Bank.

FLEET AGAIN MOVING.

Tangier, Nov. 5.—The Russian Baltic fleet is again en route for the east, the remainder of Admiral Rojestvensky's vessels, which put in here yesterday, having sailed this morning.

JAPS DESTROY A MAGAZINE.

London, Nov. 5.—Dispatches from Tokyo state that a magazine at Fort Pailin a mountain northeast of Port Arthur was destroyed by a Japanese shell. It contained a large quantity of provisions.

SCENES AT PORT ARTHUR.

London, Nov. 5.—The Mail's Chefoo correspondent has obtained a letter from a Russian in Port Arthur dated Oct. 27, in which the writer declares it would need the pen of a Xola or the brush of a Verestehagin to picture the awfulness of the siege. The letter continues: "The unenviable part of it all is that men meet death in utter silence. One sees the fiercest of fighting, but hears no sounds. One moonlight night I watched an assault of a ghostly mass of moving figures, through which continual lines were made by our guns admitting glimpses of scenes behind. These gaps were closed up as if by magic, and the masses surged onward, while our men, forsaking the trenches, sought shelter of the forts. On they came until, when they were close up to us, mines exploded, the earth opened and bodies were hurled high in the air and then sank again to the earth. Hands clutched rifles, and in the moonlight bayonets looked like fire works shooting upwards and descending point downward into the bodies of men.

"We have not a single bottle of an-aesthetics left. Just think what agony the wounded must endure. Food is of the coarsest, and even that is becoming scarce, while disease is rife and sanitary conditions are deplorable."

DOGGED RESISTANCE.

Shanghai, Nov. 5.—Advices reaching Shanghai say the Japanese assault on Port Arthur continues with unabated vigor and that the Russian defense is dogged and determined.

The northern portion of East Kekwan mountain has been captured by Japanese who hold it under a furious Russian fire.

A fort on the inner line of defense was destroyed by the explosion of a magazine November 2.

Casualties of the Japanese are reported enormous.

FIRE AT DANISH VESSELS.

Copenhagen, Nov. 5.—It is reported that the Baltic fleet of vessels fired on a Danish torpedo boat, the Saljareni, while off Langeklund Island, but did not hit her. It is stated the government is attempting to conceal the incident, fearing complications with Russia.

JAPS OCCUPY WANTAIL.

Tokio, Nov. 5.—According to reports here, the Japanese have occupied Wantail and fired a Russian battleship and destroyed several transports in Port Arthur harbor.

PRINCESS LOUISE.

Florence, Italy, Nov. 5.—Former Crown Princess Louise, the divorced wife of the present king of Saxony, has arrived here, desiring it is said, to be nearer Rome in order to facilitate negotiations with the Vatican for a reconciliation with the King. This is now considered more probable, owing to the death of the late King George, who was implacable.

THE ROBBERS ESCAPED.

Reading, Mich., Nov. 5.—Three robbers blew open the safe in the bank here this morning and escaped with their booty.

WEEKS NEWS IN BUSINESS WORLD

Clearing this week, \$840,933
Same week last year, 688,246
Decrease, 47,318
Bank clearings this week show a slight decrease from the same time last year. The total clearings of the banks of the country for the week were \$2,554,749,700, an increase over the same time last year of 50 per cent.

R. G. Dun's report says:

"Business improves steadily, and there is no evidence of anxiety regarding the future. Payments are more promptly met, tending to stimulate preparations for coming trade and a disposition to limit purchases to immediate needs is gradually disappearing. Conservation during the summer and autumn had a beneficial effect, reducing stocks to a low point. As the demand broadens, this scarcity of supply produces pressure for quick delivery, and prices are strengthened. Aside from inflation caused by speculation, there is no better sign of commercial progress than advancing markets.

"All leading branches of manufacture are in better position, with noteworthy activity at iron furnaces, woolen mills and footwear factories. Traffic reports are satisfactory, railway earnings in October exceeding last year's by 7.6 per cent."

There is a great deal of interest in business circles over whether or not Mr. E. Rehkopf will remain in Paducah with

his mammoth concern, but nothing definite has been given out. Since the loss on the buildings was yesterday adjusted however, it is indicated that the concern will remain here. The buildings will be repaired at once, and workmen began today on them. This of course would have been necessary whether Mr. Rehkopf remains here or not, but the promptness with which it has been done indicates that Paducah will not lose this big enterprise.

It is stated by the promoters of the Paducah-Cairo electric railway that New York experts are now preparing a table showing the cost of the road, and will be ready to announce the result shortly. Preparations for a project of this kind are always slow, but it is hoped to know something definite in the near future.

Messrs. Brack Owen and George Rock of Paducah, have been elected directors in the Mayfield Water and Light company.

Mr. Ralph Wilson has resigned as bookkeeper at the Eley Dry Goods company to accept a position with Baker, Eccles & Co.

Mr. Will Hendrick, son of Hon. John K. Hendrick, has resigned his position at the Jesse Gilbert drug store and will return to Smithland to accept a position.